

**MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW
YORK HELD ON MONDAY MARCH 4, 1996 8:00 P.M. VILLAGE HALL, 85 MAIN STREET,
IRVINGTON, NEW YORK.**

Present: Dennis P. Flood, Mayor
Garrard R. Beeney
Sheila M. Attai, Trustee
James McNiff, Trustee
Robert H. Pouch, Trustee
Stephen A. McCabe, Administrator
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer
Robert M. Bauer, Superintendent of Public Works
Eugene Hughey, Building Inspector

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Flood who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Flood opened the floor to public comment on matters not contained on the agenda. John Vecchione discussed the railroad station parking permit situation. Mayor Flood and Clerk-Treasurer Lawrence Schopfer responded to Mr. Vecchione. John Hepburn raised questions about the status of Tappan Cleaners on North Eckar Street. Administrator Steve McCabe responded to Mr. Hepburn.

Trustee Attai made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board held on February 20, 1996 as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee McNiff and unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood read correspondence Paul Feiner regarding curbing dogs; John B. Murphy regarding land deeded to the Village; and Hudson River Consulting Group. Copies of each of these pieces of correspondence are attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Mayor Flood provided some background on the property owned by Lalit K. Jain. The property has been offered for donation to the Village by Mr. Jain. Trustee Pouch made a motion to accept clear title to the property and, subject to the review of the Village Attorney, consider an option agreement on the property. The motion was seconded by Trustee McNiff and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood discussed a letter being sent to the State Legislature regarding the Governor's proposed budget.

After a discussion of Arthur D. Chabon's background and qualifications, Trustee Beeney made a motion to appoint Arthur D. Chabon, AIA to the Architectural Review Board as an alternate member. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Pouch provided an update on the status of the ladder truck which is currently out of service. He indicated that the Village agreed to rent a ladder truck immediately and further examine the issue of purchasing a new truck or refurbishing the existing one. Mayor Flood called these actions a good compromise.

Trustee Attai discussed the activities of the Water department including several water main breaks. She also outlined the activities of the Building department.

Trustee McNiff noted that the Recreation department is currently exploring the possibility of a senior help program. He also announced the issuance of the Spring brochure.

Trustee Pouch, on a personal note, expressed his concern and well-wishes for the recovery of the Chief's wife from her recent major surgery. He also indicated that the Police department was currently involved in surveying the area questioned by Mr. Goldfarb on Sycamore Lane. He also indicated that several burglary suspects had recently been arrested.

Mayor Flood noted that in response to the tree cutting permit appeal by Stephen Rosen, the Board had determined that the tree should be removed, overturning the decision of the tree commission.

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Trustee Beeney discussed the recent snow storms. He also provided updates on the insurance litigation, Burnham Building project, and the water front evaluation.

Administrator Steve McCabe provided an update on the Stone Church affordable housing project. He also recommended that Tony Matero be officially designated as Irvington's representative to the Historic River Towns organization. The board concurred with this recommendation. Mr. McCabe also announced that there would be a public input session held on March 28, 1996 regarding the Burnham Building project.

Clerk-Treasurer Lawrence Schopfer provided some background on the proposed agreement for electricity between the Village and the New York Power Authority. After discussion regarding the proposed agreement, the Board required additional information before making any determination about its execution.

Mr. Schopfer also described a film permit to Columbia Pictures for filming at St. Barnabus Church on March 4 & 5, 1996. Trustee Pouch made a motion to approved the filming permit. Trustee Attai seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Attai announced a "Meet the Candidates" session to be held on Saturday, March 9th at 1pm.

Trustee Attai made a motion for the Board to adjourn to executive session to take up litigation and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved.

Upon reconvening from executive session, there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments